The Story of the Blind Man Healed by the Prophet Muhammad

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Chapter 1: A Miraculous Restoration in the Holy City

The Affliction: Blindness Inflicted by Royal Cruelty

Marwah bin Muqtal, a noble descendant of Imam Hasan, resided in Cairo.

The reigning monarch, harbouring enmity towards him, ordered that his eyes be gouged with a needle.

The cruel act led to severe trauma; his mind swelled and became disoriented, and a foul odour began to emanate from his head.

His eyes deteriorated entirely, and he was rendered blind and helpless.

Pilgrimage to Madinah: A Cry for Divine Mercy

Years passed, and Marwah bin Muqtal journeyed to Madinah Munawwarah.

Standing beside the sacred resting place of the Prophet Muhammad (peace and blessings be upon him), he recounted his sorrowful tale and the condition he was left in.

A Blessed Dream: The Prophet’s Healing Touch

That night, while asleep, he beheld a dream in which the Prophet Muhammad ﷺ appeared—may peace and blessings be upon him from all the heavens.

The Prophet ﷺ gently passed his blessed hand over Marwah’s eyes.

The Vision Restored in a Dream:

Prophet Muhammad ﷺ:

[Passes his blessed hand over the afflicted man’s eyes without spoken words]

Upon awakening, Marwah found that his eyesight had been miraculously restored.

News of this extraordinary event rapidly spread throughout Madinah Tayyibah.

Return to Cairo: Royal Doubt and Redemption

When he returned to Cairo, the king observed that his eyes were perfectly healthy.

Infuriated, the king suspected that his executioners had deceived him and failed to blind Marwah.

However, when people testified that Marwah had remained blind until his visit to Madinah and that his healing occurred only there, the king’s anger subsided.

Overcome with guilt, he eventually repented.